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## DAVID SYME CAPTURES WESTON

By Michael Hutchinson

Weston auditorium was overtaken last Thursday night by a young-boy-man armed with classical piano music dangling from his fingers and an honest friendly boyish charm that made me feel as if we were all at a very pleasant house party.

David Syme is his name and at 24 years old he may very well be one of the brightest new discoveries to happen to music in the last ten years. Completely without the cultural intimidation that some classical musicians possess, Mr. Syme immediately made it known to us that his performance would be completely spontaneous - something probably considered unorthodox in classical piano circles and surprisingly, this proved to be pleasantly effective. Most people then just sort of slumped in their chairs relaxing the more rigid positions they had earlier held.

Prior to each piece, Mr. Syme announced to the audience the selection he had chosen and then mixed humorous anecdotes with brief background. At one point, when he discovered he was without a handkerchief, he leaned forward and asked a lovely young lady for the use of hers; I think I detected a swoon.

Mr. Syme performed most of his favorite selections from Chopin, Liszt and Beethoven. The music he chose was an exciting combination of medium slow-somber melody interspersed with extremely fast, rousing measures. The resulting feeling was the one you get when riding a horse from a trot to a full gallop - a soaring feeling. Mr. Syme's

own involvement in his act was also part of the excitement. Often he was rolling his head and shoulders while his fingers pounded the keys or caressed them ever so lightly. After each applause, his face radiated pride and appreciation for his audience as though he were saying, "Wow, they really like me! Thank You!"

Talking with David Syme during intermission was as enjoyable as listening to his music. He made me feel as though I wasn't bothering him, a nice feeling to have you'll agree. He's been playing since the age of 3, but he didn't begin to study until he was 12, so he felt a little short-changed as far as the pains and pleasures of adolescence went, but he took 2 years out (18-20) to play in a rock band. This may account for a few other facts, namely his brother who is presently lead guitar player for "Chairman of the Board" and David's respect and admiration for the music of Mick Jagger and Company. "Jagger has so much soul that when he sings, you feel it coming from his guts."

As far as the classical spectrum goes, his favorite pianists are his own teacher-world renowned Jorge Bolet - whom David calls "the world's greatest interpreter of Liszt" and Rubenstein, another favorite.

For a man of 24, I asked him if there had been any single event in his career that he considered his biggest thrill, his reply, "Just

by James Zambrano

With the new fall season already two months old, there is already talk of dropping some programs. While America may be able to live without "Bob, Ted, Carol and Alice," it is hard to imagine an American without "The Dick Nixon Show." For over fifteen years Dick has entertained countless millions. But unfortunately, when the ratings hit a low of twenty-five even Dick has to say good night. If Howdy Doody, Mitch Miller and Ed Sullivan can depart, there's no reason why Dick can't follow.

In the last episode of "The Dick Nixon Show" we can sense why the networks are cancelling the show. Where has all the charm and trust gone which made Dick loved by countless families? At one time this actor could move an entire nation by appealing to a humble canine and a sympathetic president, but now? Dick, what went wrong?

Rather than knowing

the script by heart, (since actually the plot has never changed during the years), the actor resorts to reading the script almost word for word. Even his personal appearance has declined. Instead of seeing a well-groomed gentleman, the audience now must view a sweat-riddled forehead and a bare lapel. Dick, how could you forget the Flag you've worn so faithfully the last few years? The drive and intensity is just not there anymore.

The setting of the story has also lost some of its gentle charm. Where once obedient pets, Lincoln sculptures and family portraits surrounded the actor, now all the viewer can see is gray curtains. The well-known "Honest Dick" look seems to have disappeared as well. Quite clearly, the Nixon charisma has deserted the show, with the viewer left to view a program which has the excitement of an eighty year old man devoid of the benefits of Geritol.

The plot of this episode centers around a national appeal to save energy. During

the course of the show, the President tries to persuade the American public that by increasing the use of coal by industry; reducing airline flights; a fifteen per cent reduction in home heating oil; lowering of federal fuel consumption; an increased building program of power plants by the Atomic Energy Commission; and the lowering of the speed limit to 50 mph, America can solve its energy crisis and at the same time retrieve America from the ashes of Watergate. By everyone doing his share in conserving energy, patriotism and the ideals of the founding fathers would return to the nation.

After this initial plotting, Dick is able to use his acting talents to get to the real core of the script. He leaves behind the energy of the nation and starts to speak of the continued energy and existence of the President. Dick can still muster up a feeling of trust between himself and the viewer, but unfortunately in the closing minutes of the show a misplaced series of smirks by the actor makes

the credibility hard to swallow.

The best scene of the show occurs when Dick asks himself the question, "Should I resign?" He gathers up his final energy and clearly recites, "I have no intention of walking away from this job." Dick calls to the viewer to rally around the flag and help to solve the energy crisis (and at the same time to probably take some heat off the President's other crisis).

Even with the occasional high points, "The Dick Nixon Show" has unfortunately ended. America will have to find another actor to play the President, since clearly poor Dick has lost his remaining energy. Dick should give up show business and spend his remaining time shutting off lights and keeping the thermostat down to 68 degrees at Key Biscayne.

exists.

1. pre-Hospital Screening: All patients who would otherwise go directly to Gardner State Hospital for admission will be seen for pre-hospital screening at the Community Treatment and Rehabilitation Program in Fitchburg. This pertains to the hours of 9-5, Monday through Friday. Outside of those hours the present procedure remains, although an improved mechanism is being developed. The objective of pre-hospital screening is to intercept people who do not require hospitalization in order to spare them the untoward consequences of hospitalization and to either offer them or refer them to alternative treatment.

2. Day Treatment: This service will operate from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. five days a week and on Saturday morning. For people in need of this intensive and time-consuming treatment, a planned program will be provided including milieu therapy, group therapy, occupational therapy, individual therapy, family therapy, and vocational and recreational therapy. Many of the patients treated in this program would otherwise have

## There Is A Penal System To Be Reformed

By P. Midura

On October 24, 25, and 26 a Community Forum on prisons took place at the First Parish Church in Ashby, Massachusetts.

The question, "Is the Penal System Reformable?" was discussed Wednesday evening by John Boone, former Commissioner of Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Sheriff John Buckley of Middlesex County, and other speakers connected with the mechanics and psychology of prisons and prison reform.

Thursday evening a group of prisoners, a psychologist, and a community volunteer with the Peaceful Movement Committee spoke on the topic of "Correction and Reform from Inside the Walls." The Peaceful Movement Committee is a prisoners' self-help organization, of which the prisoners at this session, are directly involved.

I attended the third of this series, entitled "Lessons from Walpole". Among the speakers were Albert Bigelow a participant in the Civilian Observer Program, former Housing Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a Navy Commander in World War II, and William Boyce, who spent twenty years of his life in prisons, and is now a full-time counselor at Brook House, a half-way house for ex-convicts in the south end of Boston.

Bigelow was one of a large number of citizens who took regular shifts in the "round-the-clock effort to avert another 'Attica'" at Walpole, and to try to solve some of the conflicts among prisoners, guards, and administrat-

## Volunteers Needed

The new Community Treatment and Rehabilitation Program of the North Central Massachusetts Mental Health Center will be located in the former LPN Building immediately behind Burbank Hospital on Nichols Road, Fitchburg, Massachusetts. The telephone number is 342-8951.

The following brief description of the new services offered will hopefully serve as an introduction, and specific inquiries would be welcomed. The cities and towns which will be serviced are the following: Fitchburg, Leominster, Ashby, Ayer, Berlin, Bolton, Clinton, Groton, Lancaster, Lunenburg, Pepperell, Shirley, Sterling and Townsend. Referrals should be preceded by a phone call and should be limited to situations in which a serious question of psychiatric hospitalization

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

→ I would like to congratulate The Cycle on its editorial against abortion. Unless the killing of old men and women or of the handicapped is right, or unless murder in general is right, how can abortion possibly be right. I would like to suggest to all of you that if you want laws passed to prevent these murders called abortion, then write to the governor and your state representatives.

A Concerned Student

→ What is going on with the parking situation here. Every year it gets worse and yet nothing is ever done. Commuters make up the majority of this school and yet we receive the least possible benefits. Give us a break - we need a place to park.

Always Walking

→ Because of the dire need this winter to conserve heating fuel and other sources of energy, I am willing to give up one solid week of my education, (the first week of the second semester.) If the second semester started in the beginning of February, like it did last year, just think of all the energy conserved, (human as well as natural.) I believe that I am not the only one on campus willing to make this sacrifice so that there will be no nursing homes or orphan institutions that go without heating fuel this winter.

A Generous Student

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been hospitalized at Gardner State Hospital or elsewhere. An additional number will be terminating a hospitalization elsewhere and moving into the Day Treatment Program as a means to limit the amount of time which is spent in a 24-hour hospital setting.

Urgent need for male volunteers between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

3. Aftercare: This is a wide ranging program designed to provide follow-up therapy for people who have been treated at the Day Treatment Center, Gardner State Hospital or in a variety of other settings.

The unifying goal of these three programs is to provide services which are relevant, close to home, and effective in anticipating and meeting the psychiatric needs of the seriously ill of our area. Thus, the unnecessary psychological consequences of hospitalization may be avoided or minimized while varied, alternative services are offered.

## BRE NATIONWIDE

The U.S. Civil Service Commission announced today the filing deadlines for 1974 summer jobs with Federal agencies. Those who file by November 23 will be tested between January 5 and 26; by December 28, 5 and 26; by December 28, between February 2 and 16; and by January 25, between February 23 and March 9, at locations convenient to them.

The Commission said the earlier a student files and takes the test, the greater the chances for employment. Each summer about 10,000 positions are filled from a pool of more than 100,000 eligibles. About 8,000 of these are clerical jobs, and approximately 2,000 are aides in engineering and science occupations.

Complete Instructions for filing and information on opportunities available are contained in CSC announcement No. 414, Summer Jobs in Federal Agencies, which may be obtained from Federal Job Information Centers, most college placement offices, or from the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.C. 20415.

Unlike its practice in past years, the Commission will not automatically send forms to those who qualified in 1973 but who may wish to remain on the lists for consideration in 1974. Those who qualified for summer employment in 1973 must update their applications by submitting a form enclosed in the announcement. They are not required to repeat the written test.

The U.S. Postal Service is not participating in the summer employment examination for 1974. Inquiries regarding summer employment with the Postal Service should be directed to the post office where employment is desired.

## ABORTION: A SECOND VIEW

by Patricia Gormley

We are all entitled to the benefit of freedom of choice. In an article entitled "Abortion", which appeared in the last edition of the Cycle, this basic right was challenged. The arguments against abortion were the right and justifiable ones. One could not help but feel emotionally swayed after reading the piece. The accompanying photograph accomplished exactly what it was meant to. It showed a tragic waste of life.

The stand of this second article on the subject is derived from a purely emotional viewpoint. Granted, the laws concerning abortion are not perfect. But, neither are any other laws perfect. The new legality of the operation has brought with it much abuse. Unfortunately, freedom and abuse often walk hand in hand.

Abortion must never be used as an easy way out, a method of "having your cake and eating it too". However, there are a few situations when abortion is the only answer, where there is no other way to turn. Take, for example, the unwed mother. She is faced with but four choices: (1) Marry the father. In many cases, this is the most far from perfect solution. The decision to marry should be arrived at after the careful consideration of two

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ors which kept the institution and the state corrections system in turmoil and which led to the dismissal of Corrections Commissioner John Boone."

The central focus of this session was the dehumanization of prisoners at Walpole, and, in general, of all those in prisons. Walpole, it was found, is a source of violence - creating violence. Also, the convicts are dehumanized repeatedly after they are released from prison. They find it difficult to acquire employment, when they do, it is for inferior wages because they are ex-cons. They cannot, among other things, open an account in a bank, register a car, and above all else they are labelled as ex-cons for the rest of their lives.

It was agreed that there is an urgent need for prison reform, a reformation which has of yet been overlooked and underplayed. The corruption in the prison system is proportional to the misuse of taxpayers' money.



What is necessary for any success of a revolution for penal reform is accountability of (a) the lives of those the prisons contain, and (b) the tax dollars fed into these institutions. We, the citizens are responsible for the mass corruption taking place in these institutions by allowing it to continue to exist, and by allowing those who are in power (the Governor and officials accountable for reform) to usurp the execution of their responsibilities.

The prisons have become fortresses of secrecy (the Observer Committee program has been discontinued at Walpole). The men imprisoned have lost their right freedom as a penalty for whatever wrong-doing they are guilty - what else must they lose in the process. The negative aspects of our prisons far outweigh those that are positive. Instead of preparing and aiding those imprisoned to become productive members of our society, we continue to dehumanize them beyond all required and logical limits. Obviously our present penal system is not fulfilling the criteria of the purpose of such a system.

Alternatives to our present system must be initiated immediately, not only for the prisoners, but for society. Fifteen percent of those contained, must be contained because of our present inability to determine what else can be done with them. The remaining eighty-five percent must be guided and helped to become working members of our society, either through half-way houses outside of the prison, or more humane, intelligent methods of rehabilitation inside the prison. There exists alternatives that are being ignored - unjustifiably so, and the immediacy of the problem warrants our indignation towards those who are hindering the advancement of penal reform. Ignoring the problem will not make the problem dissolve into extinction. There are changes to be made, and the time has come to make them.

"Every man beareth the stamp of the human condition."  
Montaigne

loving people, and not used as a quick remedy warding off approaching disaster. (2) Keep the child and raise it alone. Is this fair to the child? The familial norm in our society is both mother and father. A child raised by one acting as both parent suffers from a distinct disadvantage as all, or at least most, of his peers benefit from the care and guidance of two parents. (3) Give the child up for adoption. At first glance, this appears to be the best solution, and in many cases it is. There exists many childless couples who would gladly take these children. But how many more illegitimate children are conceived each year, and how many are people able to adopt them? (4) Finally, there is abortion. It is, indeed, the termination of a human life. But in many cases, is this not better than bringing one more unwanted being into a world, already severely over-crowded, where it's chances for happiness are so numbered, even before birth?

The second argument is the instance where it is definitely proven, through genetic counselling, that the fetus is severely deformed in some way. Many families can not cope either financially, emotionally, or prac-

tically with the burden of a child who is gravely abnormal. I do not call for this measure to be taken in all cases, only in those where abortion is the only rational decision to be made.

Perhaps, in time, advances in birth control will be such that the problem of illegitimacy will be easily controlled. Pregnancy, outside the bounds of marriage, will always exist as it is a problem concerning humans, and we are all fallible. And we may see medical science so advanced that genetic diseases will not only be recognized but treated before or after birth successfully. Until this time, we must all work to improve and, eventually, conquer the problems that exist. Society must recognize the difficulties associated with the fetus and the mother, and deal with them immediately. Until this is accomplished abortion is, unfortunately, the answer in these extreme cases.



## Head Hassled?

Jeri Cande

If your mind is muddled, or your brains are bogged, maybe you should head over to the Counseling Center on 235 Highland Avenue. It's a friendly place with concerned staff members sincerely interested in helping restless minds find peace. Whether your problems are personal, academic, mental, or whatever, someone there will be especially trained to help you.

Mr. Bryant and Mr. Tarazuk will assist you with vocational matters and career choices. They offer a number of tests including: career development tests, personal interest tests, as well as Clep and Miller Analogies exams. There is also a career development library which provides information about types of jobs available to students. Some other programs available through the counseling center are geared towards improving study skills, reading skills, job hunting skills, and interviewing techniques.

If career or vocational concerns aren't your most pressing problems, but you are plagued with personal dilemmas Dr. Schenkel a clinical Psychologist would be the one to visit. Dr. Schenkel informed me in an interview that increasing numbers of students are seeking consultation at the counseling center, that the problems they are experiencing are "impressive in their diversity". Some students visit the counseling center as a result of a momentary crisis while others continue counseling sessions on a long-term basis. She attributes their turning to the counseling center instead of their peers to a variety of reasons, the most important being that they realized that their peers were limited and that they might benefit more from someone who has been trained in counseling. Dr. Schenkel believes that there is a definite need for the counseling center at Fitchburg State College and comments that it is unfortunate that more individuals don't cope with problems as they arise instead of waiting for them to clear up. Often problems become progressively worse instead of going away. So if something is bothering you, don't wait, drop in at the Counseling Center.

## VASSAR TO LIMIT ON-CAMPUS VEHICLES

(CPS) - The Board of Trustees at Vassar College has agreed to consider plans to make the Vassar campus an area of "limited access" to vehicles. The move is designed to increase on-campus pedestrian safety and preserve the beauty of the campus.

Originally, the Master planning Committee of the college considered a plan to make Vassar an "all-walking campus." However, the Trustees agreed that some vehicles were necessary to the functioning of the college.

While no plan has yet been formally adopted, the eventual plan will probably include a ban on all vehicles in the two most heavily travelled areas of the campus, and a limit on faculty parking with available spaces awarded by lot or seniority.

The Trustees were awaiting further reaction from student and faculty groups before deciding on a specific ban program.



# Contraception

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Sorry. The only perfect guaranteed means of contraception is abstinence. Therefore, a few words about some alternatives may be in order. (All of the following measures presented here are advance precautions. They vary widely to the degree of protection they afford, but any is better than no protection at all.)  
ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES

A wide spectrum of hormonal drugs has been developed in recent years with the aim of reducing the incidence of pregnancy through oral medication (pills). Since 1960, as knowledge has increased and case records multiplied, these reports have multiplied, these reports have achieved a very high level of effectiveness and safety. All of these are basically similar in composition, with only small differences in the quality and quantity of hormonal content. Through the years the trend has been to a gradual lowering of the hormonal content in order to reduce the side effects even more, of two hormones, progesterone and estrogen, to inhibit ovulation and provoke "withdrawal" uterine bleeding at the end of each cycle. It is thought that these hormones also provide additional protection by creating a vaginal environment that is hostile to the sperm and a uterine environment which tends to disfavor implantation.

The effectiveness of the pill is largely dependent upon its methodical daily use. Even under conditions of precise dosage, however, its protection is somewhat less than 100%. Irregular dosage will certainly reduce this figure still further.

Oral contraceptives, like all potent drugs, have some side effects. A few women experience unpleasant side effects from the pill which are not dangerous and are not likely to impair their health. Some of these side effects are similar to symptoms women experience in early pregnancy and may be temporary. Your breasts may feel tender, nausea and vomiting may occur, and you may gain or lose weight. A spoty draining of the skin, particularly the face, is possible and may persist. You may notice unexpected vaginal bleeding or discharge or changes in your menstrual period. These should be reported to your physician if they persist.

Some of the pleasant effects of the pill is that many women find that their periods are regulated and that the flow during the period is decreased. Menstrual cramps are often eliminated. Women know exactly when to expect their next period with the pill. Also the pill is one of the two devices the other being the I.U.D.) that does not interfere with the spontaneity of the sexual act.

There is no proof at the present time that oral contraceptives can cause cancer in humans. However, the possibility that they may continue to be studied based on observations that large doses of female sex hormones have produced cancer in some experimental animals. If you have or have had a health problem, such as migraine, mental depression, fibroids of the uterus, heart or kidney disease, asthma, high blood pressure, diabetes, or ep-

ilepsy, inform your physician. He may wish to make sure that it is suitable to take the pill by doing special tests if necessary. All these conditions may be made worse by the use of the pill. There are some women, in addition to those with blood clotting disorders, who should not use the pill. These women include those who have had cancer of the breast or womb, serious liver conditions, or undiagnosed vaginal bleeding when cancer has not been ruled out. It is comforting to know that, in such cases, your doctor can recommend other methods of birth control.

The pill is prescribed by a doctor after he/she has given you a pelvic exam and a Pap smear. A family history is also recorded. The pills cost about \$1.75 per month (in some places they may cost more) and the prescription usually lasts for a year after which time you must return for another check-up. They should not attempt to take anyone else's pills since physicians prescribe pills according to each individualized female's needs. By taking a friend's, you may end up hurting yourself.)

Complete and explicit instructions accompany every brand of pill (most commonly used are Ortho-Novum, Ovral, Ovulen, Norinyl, Demulen, and Norletrin). It is recommended that intercourse be avoided or another contraceptive method used for the first seven days for the first pill cycle, since it is possible that ovulation could occur before the pill has its full effect. The pill is taken each day at approximately the same time for 20 or 21 days (depending on the brand). The pills are stopped with the package is empty, and menstruation should begin within two or three days. One should start the next cycle of pills one week after the last pill of the previous cycle. Thus with 21 pills, if you started your pills on a Thursday, you would finish them on a Wednesday and start them again one week later on the following Thursday. If you should forget one pill, it should be taken as soon as it is remembered. The next pill should be taken at the regular time and the pills continued for the rest of the cycle. However, if one misses two pills, the missed pills should be taken for the rest of the cycle, but another method of contraception should be used for the rest of the cycle. When the use of the pills is stopped, the next period may be delayed a week or two or missed altogether. As soon as the pills are stopped, one is potentially fertile again.

There seems little room to doubt that the risk of the pill is far outweighed by the risk of unwanted pregnancy.

## Footnotes

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# Right To Abortion Threatened

by Graci Mastali

(CPS) - Last January's Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion is being severely threatened by anti-abortion legislative actions across the country.

Far from settling the issue, the Supreme Court's sweeping affirmation of a woman's right to privacy and consequently the right to abortion under the Ninth and Fourteenth Amendments set off a wave of anti-abortion reaction.

Although the Supreme Court decision can only be overturned by constitutional amendment the availability of abortion has already been greatly reduced via bills and amendments passed by Congress.

In addition, approximately ten percent of the US Congresspeople (some 43 of the 435 members are sponsoring some form of anti-abortion legislation).

Three distinct types of constitutional amendments have been proposed to Congress in at least 21 separate bills, including one sponsored by seven senators.

To date at least 188 anti-abortion bills have been introduced in 41 states.

Several states have enacted or retained clearly unconstitutional abortion laws.

Establishing the fetus as a person with full legal rights has become the rallying point of the "right to life" groups spearheading the drive for an anti-abortion constitutional amendment.

It has been charged that the anti-abortion campaign is really an attempt to impose one religion's beliefs on all. The Catholic Church has substantially funded the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), which has an overwhelmingly Catholic membership. NRLC however denies any religious motivation, and states its only concern is "the sanctity of all life".

According to Supreme Court rulings the word "person" as used in the Fourteenth Amendment's strictures against depriving any person of life without due process of law "... does not include the unborn," and "the Court does not postulate the existence of a new being with federal constitutional rights at any time during gestation."

Yet the issue of a woman's right to abortion remains tied to that of fetal rights.

Despite contentions that the federal government has no right to legislate control over women's bodies, several major attempts are underway.

A "right-to-life" constitutional amendment (H.J. Res. 261) sponsored by Rep. Larry Hogan (D-Md.), seeks to insure that due process and equal protection are offered to an individual "from the moment of conception".

Hogan has introduced a "discharge petition" which would place his proposed amendment without committee review directly on the House floor, where it would take priority over all other business. The petition requires the signatures of more than half the House.

Senator James Buckley (Con. - NY) has proposed a constitutional amendment (S.J. Res. 119) that says the word "person" as used in the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments shall apply to all human beings "including their unborn offspring at every stage of their biological development."

The Buckley amendment is co-sponsored by Senators Mark Hatfield (R - Ore.), Deway Bartlett (R-OK), Wallace Bennett (R- Utah), Carl Curtis (R-Nebr.), Milton Young (R- ND), Harold Hughes (D-Iowa), and James Eastland (D-Miss.).

The NRLC is displeased with the Buckley amendment because it makes provision for abortion when "continuation of the pregnancy will cause the death of the mother".

The third type of proposed amendment is exemplified by H.J. Res. 468, sponsored by Virginian Rep. G. William Whitehurst, which states that nothing in the Constitution shall bar any state "from allowing, regulating, or prohibiting the practice of abortion."

More than 19 bills in the House call for either the "states rights" or the "right to life" type of amendment, with a total of 36 sponsors.

Whether advocates of Hogan's right to life amendment would compromise by supporting the "states rights" amendment is unknown. If a compromise were reached the decision would soon sit in the laps of 50 state legislatures.

In the meantime other legislative moves to limit abortion continue.

The Health Programs Extension Act, which contains the Church amendment is now law. It provides that any hospital or health care facility can refuse to perform abortions or sterilizations if these procedures are against the religious beliefs of medical or administrative personnel.

An amendment to the Legal Services Corporation bill essentially prohibits legal aid lawyers from representing a woman suing a hospital for refusing a nontherapeutic abortion and denies the poor the right to even hear their case for obtaining an abortion in court. It was overwhelmingly passed by the House and awaits action by the State.

Many other bills to limit abortion have been proposed including one to amend the Social Security Act to prohibit Medicaid payments for abortions except in cases of medical necessity.

Despite findings of a Harris poll in April 1973 that showed more than 52% of all US citizens favor the Supreme Court decision on making abortions legal in the first three months of pregnancy anti-abortion bills continue to proliferate. "Right-to-life" lobbyists are applying enormous pressure on state and federal legislators. The strength of the anti-abortion movement has been partly attributed to the failure of pro-abortion forces to continue lobbying after last January's Supreme Court ruling in the false belief that the battle was won.

## Minutes Of The

## All-College Council Meeting

From: College Bookstore  
To: Students at FSC

We are preparing to make our allowable returns of text books to the Publishers. If you do not have your text books by now please arrange to purchase them now or make a deposit and we will be pleased to hold the books for you.

College Bookstore

Members Present: Mr. Colin Bourn, Miss Marion Cushman, Mr. Richard DeCesare, Mr. William Fitzgibbon, Mr. Donald Freeburg, Miss Donna Geneva, Mr. Francis Guindon, Miss Jeanelle Lohan, Mr. George Merriam, Miss Nina Michaud, Mr. Reginald O'Neill, Mr. Lawrence Oviann, and Mr. Lawrence Quigley.

Members Absent: Mr. Charles Sampson.  
The All-College Council meeting of October 24, 1973 was called to order by Mr. O'Neill, President at 3:15 p.m.

The minutes of the October 17, 1973 meeting were reviewed and approved.

The manner of presentation of the Academic Master Plan to the college community was discussed and it was decided to postpone a decision since the L.R.P.C. of the Central office will be formally presenting the Master Plan on each campus. The Council has been informed that the November 3 meeting in Boston re: the Academic Master plan has been cancelled.

In reference to the enlargement of committees, Mr. O'Neill informed Council members that according to the By-Laws there are two ways of doing such: Enlarging a committee temporarily for a specific task or making a permanent addition to the committee.

Mr. Colin Bourn moved that the All-College Council be recorded in favor of considering Counseling Day, Saturday, November 3, 1973, a voluntary exercise for both students and faculty, such action recognizing the following implications:

1. departments which have planned activities for Counseling Day may carry them out;
2. departments which have arranged Counseling Day to suit their own needs and desires may continue in this fashion;
3. departments and faculty members who choose to meet their advisees at other times may do so.

Motion seconded by Mr. Richard DeCesare. Mr. Merriam stated he could not vote in favor of the motion on an academic basis. As a point of information he added that some change is to occur as to Counseling Day. It was argued that counseling day is "stolen time", November 3rd will not work out since pre-registration will not be ready to take place. Mr. Donald Freeburg noted that registration dates were not listed on this year's calendar.

Mr. Merriam moved to table the issue. Mr. Lawrence Oviann seconded the motion.

Vote: 11 - favor 1 - opposed Motion passed  
The Council adjourned at 3:30 p.m. for Committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Nina Michaud  
Secretary Pro Tem

## FROM THE OFFICE OF SENATOR BOB HALL

Senator Bob Hall today filed legislation which, if adopted, would allow the people to vote on the legalization of marijuana at the next state election. "The non-binding referendum would give the legislature an expression of the public will on marijuana," Hall said.

"We have had conflicting testimony from the experts on marijuana," Hall said. "Some claim it is psychologically addictive, physically dangerous or leads to the use of hard drugs, while others say that it is less harmful than alcohol or tobacco. In some cases we are sending kids to jail to learn to be criminals while in other areas the laws are not enforced at all. I think it is time the people had a say in this issue," Hall said.

Ceremonial Initiation of Phi Alpha Theta candidates will take place on the evening of Friday, November 30. Following the ceremony, will be a meeting held at the home of Ivy Chesmejeff, president.

All those who meet the requirements of this National Historical Honor Society. may obtain an application form in Dr. E. Thomas' office, history department.

IVY CHESMEJEFF

## CLASSIFIED

What is man? What is God? I am interested in all forms of religion, spiritual endeavors, self-actualization and exploration of the self from a spiritual-psychological viewpoint. Also interested in mysticism. If you share these interests and are open to discovery and new ideas, please contact me. Maybe we can start a group.

Pam, Box 879.

Pumpkin: I Love You.  
peanut

FOR SALE: one Lloyds 8-track tape deck. Brand new! Best offer - Call Lenzie at 537-6092 after 5 p.m.

To FJC: If that is the only way I can get you to stop, I'll do it!

Don't call my bluff - you may regret it.

M.

"Phil The Philosopher"

A man is as good as the least of his vices and the greatest of his virtues.





# Nixon - You're Sinking

After all you have seen and heard about President Nixon, do you feel impeachment is in order? If so, don't just talk about it - write to your Congressman! Below you will find a form letter and the addresses of all the Congressmen in this state. Use this information. Voice your opinion.

- First District - Silvio O. Conte (R)  
239 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Second District - Edward P. Boland (D)  
2111 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Third District - Harold D. Donohue (D)  
2206 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Fourth District - Robert F. Drinan (D)  
224 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Fifth District - Paul W. Cronin (R)  
1019 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Sixth District - Michael J. Harrington (D)  
435 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Seventh District - T. Herbert H. MacDonald (D)  
2470 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Eighth District - Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. (D)  
The Capitol  
Room-H-148  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Ninth District - John Joseph Moakley (D)  
238 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Tenth District - Margaret M. Heckler (R)  
303 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Eleventh District - James A. Burke (D)  
241 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515
- Twelfth District - Gerry E. Studds (D)  
1511 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515



Dear Sir,

In view of all that has happened recently, I cannot support President Nixon. I strongly approve of any and all impeachment proceedings. Thank you.

Sincerely,

## National Student Opinion Poll On Impeachment

The following questions have been distributed by the National Student Lobby to students across the country in order to determine by a wide-spread and fair sampling the feelings about the impeachment of President Nixon. Please send your reply as soon as possible to Communications Director, National Student Lobby, 413 East Capitol Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003, or call (202) 547-5500.

1. Notwithstanding the agreement by President Nixon to submit Watergate-related tapes subpoenaed by the Court:
- A. I feel the House Judiciary Committee should hold extensive hearings on the question of impeachment, although not necessarily vote to impeach.
- B. I feel President Nixon should be impeached by the House.
- C. I do not feel there is reason for House action on impeachment.
- D. Don't know.
2. In regard to potential further investigations and prosecutions arising from Watergate and the 1972 Presidential campaign:
- A. I feel a Special Prosecutor should be appointed by President Nixon, and be removable by the President through the Acting Attorney General Robert Borck. (As proposed by President Nixon on Friday, Oct. 26, 1973.)
- B. I feel a Special Prosecutor should be appointed by Judge Sirica and the U.S. District Court, and be removable by the Court. (As proposed by American Bar Ass'n, on Saturday, Oct. 27, 1973, and proposed House and Senate legislation.)
- C. Don't know.
3. In regard to actions taken by the National Student Lobby:
- A. I feel it is important for NSL to express student opinion on the impeachment issue based on the findings of this survey.
- B. I feel NSL staff should not actively lobby, but should serve as a clearinghouse for impeachment information and local, campus activities regarding impeachment.

NAME . . . . . SCHOOL . . . . .

ADDRESS . . . . .

. . . . . ZIP . . . . .

I would like further information:

American Civil Liberties Union handbook on local impeachment committee operations.

House Judiciary Committee report on impeachment - cost: \$5.00

Information packet - cost: \$1.00

Statement on impeachment by American Bar Association

# NATIONAL STUDENT LOBBY

Washington, D.C., November 12. The National Student Lobby has announced the distribution of a National Student Opinion Poll to 2,000 student newspapers on (1) whether or not President Nixon should be impeached, and (2) whether President Nixon or the Court should appoint and control a Special Watergate Prosecutor.

"The poll will be a barometer of current student opinion," said Willis Edwards, Chairperson of NSL's Board of Directors and former student body president at California State University at Los Angeles. "During this time of constitutional crisis, Congress needs accurate data on the views of students and non-students alike. Many student newspapers have already run polls of student opinion and these need to be totaled and presented to Congress."

The poll also asks the question whether the National Student Lobby's role should involve active lobbying based on the results of the poll, or remain as an information clearinghouse for students from across the country.

Until this time, NSL has been a clearinghouse of information for hundreds of calls, and for students who have been in Washington. In the past three weeks several hundred students have come to Washington to talk about the appointment of a Watergate special prosecutor and continued investigation of possible impeachment proceedings. There have been large numbers of law students involved, including law students from Boston University, Catholic University, University of California, Berkeley, Georgetown University, George Washington University, Harvard University, New York University, University of Pennsylvania, St. John's University, Tulane University, University of Pittsburgh, University of Virginia, American University, Columbia University, Yale University and other schools.

In the week of November 10 through 17 a loosely coordinated set of "Hometown Actions" are being sponsored by a large number of groups, both national and local, which have been brought together on an ad hoc basis. These actions will include town meetings and public hearings on the question of impeachment, and will involve campus, labor, church and citizen's organizations.

As a clearinghouse, NSL is distributing information assembled by a number of groups, including the American Civil Liberties Union, the House of Representatives Committee on Judiciary, and the American Bar Association and the AFL-CIO. Also available are copies of House Resolutions on impeachment, including a model impeachment bill drafted by law students at Yale Law School. Copies of these materials, along with up to date information on Congressional actions and the activities of many impeachment-related groups, can be obtained by contacting Miriam Gaylin at NSL, 413 East Capitol St., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003 (202) 547-5500.

## NIXON TAPES POSSIBLE TO ALTER, EXPERIMENTER SAYS

(CPS/ZNS) - The president of Synchronic Research Inc. of New York recently performed a unique experiment in order to find out if the so-called Nixon tapes could be altered.

Synchronic's president, I.S. Tiebel put a special take of Nixon's speeches together, by cutting, editing and splicing. His conclusions: the Nixon tapes would "probably be a snap to alter."

The Synchronic Company is now selling the tapes to individuals at \$2.50 each, but it adds that none of the bogus recordings may be played by radio stations; air play, they believe, would be unfair to Nixon.

## Agnew Forfeits Pension

(CPS) - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew lost his eligibility for a federal retirement pension by resigning.

Federal law requires government employees - to complete five years of "creditable civil service" in order to qualify for a retirement pension. Agnew took office in his first Federal job on January 20, 1969 and held it for four and three quarter years, falling 102 days short of the pension requirements.

## Another Embarrassment For Spiro

(CPS/ZNS) - Former Vice President Spiro Agnew has suffered yet another embarrassing indignity.

Agnew's home newspaper, The Baltimore Sun, no longer refers to the former vice president as "Mr. Agnew" - but simply as "Agnew." The Sun has a policy of according all men the title of "Mr." - except for convicted felons.

As a result of last week's court proceedings, Mr. Agnew suddenly lost his rank and became just plain Agnew in the Sun.

## "THE PASSING OF MR. DICK"

I'm sorry Mr. Dick, I realize you're very sick, But never-the-less, I must confess, You're also very thick.

You never miss a trick You're always very slick But you must know We won't let it go 20 lashes with a stick.

There's no one else that's true There's nothing left to do You've done your wrong So move along Make way for someone new

Joe Poet

# Political Scientists Call For Nixon Impeachment

(CPS) - Over two hundred political scientists from major universities, including former presidents of the American Political Science Association and regional political science associations, have announced the formation of "political Scientists for Impeachment."

Citing Mr. Nixon's initial refusal and belated compliance with the order of the US Court of Appeals to release the tapes, the group accused the President of a "contempt for law and the administration of justice unknown since the founding of our republic."

In a statement calling for impeachment they said: "The nation is confronted with a constitutional and moral crisis of unprecedented proportions. As professional political scientists we believe that the best way to resolve this crisis is through impeachment of the President of the United States."

"Impeachment is equivalent to indictment; it is not conviction. It is a finding of sufficient evidence of improper conduct to bring a public official to trial. Impeachment is a constitutional process that can restore confidence. It should not be viewed as an event that shatters the system. It is a means of demonstrating that in spite of public vilification, Richard M. Nixon can be found innocent, if he is indeed innocent."

"As political scientists, it is our measured opinion that the proper recourse is impeachment. Failure of the House of Representatives to bring impeachment proceedings will deepen the crisis of confidence that already exists."

## DRINAN SPEAKS OUT ON IMPEACHMENT

"It is appalling to talk to Members of Congress who will concede that if President Nixon had defied the order of the court and not surrendered the tapes they would have voted for impeachment, but who see no impeachable offenses in the four and a half years during which Mr. Nixon violated the rules of war as set forth in the Geneva Convention, trampled upon the right of the people of America by impounding at least 12 billion dollars of authorized and appropriated money, and committed many other similar offenses against the laws of the U. S. and the moral law of all humanity," the Congressman said.

Drinan described the atmosphere in Washington today as obsessed with the expectation that the incredible series of recent events will somehow suddenly reveal President Nixon as a common criminal. He urged his audience to consider impeachment "not a process by which we search for a criminal but a procedure by which a President suspected of betraying the basic moral ideals of the nation is given a forum in which he can vindicate himself."





# MARATHON INTERCOLLEGIATE SESSION "GOOD TURNOUT" TO IMPEACH NIXON

by Joan Fassnacht

Nick Apostola, President of the UMass Student Government Association, and moderator at Saturday's second regional meeting in two weeks of the newly-formed New England Student Conference for Impeachment of President Nixon, described the meeting as, "a pretty good turnout of 35 schools. It's a good beginning."

In a marathon five-hour session in the Campus Center Auditorium, student government and newspaper representatives drew up an impeachment resolution and created plans to begin an eastern seaboard impeachment drive. Speeches were also made and workshops were held to acquaint students with organizational techniques.

Although most schools were not informed of the Conference until late last week, about 70 students from 35 schools were able to attend. Eighty schools had been contacted by letter during the week. Some of the colleges that were represented include: UMass, Smith, Hampshire, Amherst, Yale, Mt. Holyoke, Boston College, Boston University, Northeastern, Queens, Trinity, Wesleyan, Middlebury, Windham, UMass-Boston, Rhode Island Jr. College, Johnson and Wales, University of Vermont, American International College, and Barrington.

Representatives from Common Cause, a grassroots organization petitioning for campaign contribution reforms were present to show their support. Norma Belt, American Civil Liberties Union Director of the Impeachment Campaign in Massachusetts, counseled students on mobilization tactics.

The Conference began at 1 p.m. with an introductory speech and reading of the impeachment resolutions by Nick Apostola.

He said, "The purpose of this meeting is to formulate plans for November 10th through the 17th. We want to force congressmen to respond to the grassroots outcry against President Nixon."

Apostola presented the five impeachment resolutions which were adopted by the Conference after an hour-long debate over amendments. The resolutions include:

**RESOLVED:** That we, the New England Student Conference for Impeachment call for the impeachment of President Richard M. Nixon for high crimes and misdemeanors against the American people.

**RESOLVED:** That we, the New England Student Conference for Impeachment demand that new presidential and vice presidential elections be called following the impeachment and conviction of Richard M. Nixon.

**RESOLVED:** That we, the New England Student Conference for Impeachment call for the Congress to appoint an independent special prosecutor for the Watergate affair and related crimes.

**RESOLVED:** That we, the New England Student Conference for Impeachment demand that the confirmation of any person for the offices of the vice presidency or attorney general be delayed until such time as impeachment proceedings have been implemented and the President has been tried by the Senate.

**RESOLVED:** That we, the New England Conference for Impeachment demand that together with its investigation of the Watergate affair and related crimes, the Congress include the following within the impeachment proceedings:

- the ITT scandal
- the mispending of campaign funds,
- the illegal bombings of Southeast Asia and other war crimes
- the military take-over of the Allende government in Chile
- the establishment of a secret police force for five days in 1970
- the harassment and imprisonment of political dissidents

Copies of these resolutions will be sent to some eighty New England Colleges.

The four guest speakers expressed a common feeling

that students must band together with all groups of Americans to urge impeachment.

According to Larry Magid, director of the Student Center for Educational Research at UMass, the Conference represents an "opportunity for the student movement to reach out to the American people."

He said, "Whether Nixon is impeached or not is not the crucial issue. The issue is to let the American people understand what's going on and to realize the oppression."

Nesta King, Chairwoman of the Florida State Committee to Impeach Nixon, felt that her presence at the Conference "proves this is a national movement."

She added, "This is a revitalization of the student movement. We know how Americans feel. This is not an apocalyptic, large-city movement by any means."

She said that she had received encouraging responses from schools in Iowa, Idaho, Colorado, and Kansas.

Ron Rosenblith urged students to circulate the Common Cause petitions which call for the reform of campaign election laws.

He said, "You can't talk just about Impeachment. You haven't won until you've changed the whole system, including the laws."

Doug Phelps, a Harvard law student, stressed concentration on local activities involving all groups of people—students, religious groups, civic groups, and business groups.

He felt the campaign to impeach should focus on two issues: 1.- to pressure Congress to demonstrate the feeling that Nixon should be impeached; and 2.- to keep the pressure on even if Congress doesn't respond.

He also suggested a national moratorium to be held on February 18, Washington's birthday.

He explained, "A moratorium on this day would dramatize the contrast between everything Washington stood for with everything Nixon stands for. For example, Washington never told a lie, and Nixon never tells the truth."

Phelps' suggestion was met with enthusiasm, although some students questioned the validity of holding a moratorium on a holiday. Many felt that since a moratorium included work stoppage, the moratorium would lose its effectiveness if held on a day no one works.

The suggestion was tabled to be discussed at the next meeting.

At 3 p.m., three workshops were held. Two hours later, reports were issued by the spokesmen of each group.

Mike Silard, a student at Hampshire College, reported his committee's suggestions on how to bring a congressman home.

He said, "Contact local political, business, religious, and civic groups for their support. Set up a meeting in the form of a hearing which citizens would testify their cases against the President before the congressman."

Mimi Belt, also from Hampshire, described different petitioning techniques. She said, "Personal letters and mailgrams are the best way to push. Hit the shopping centers with petitions."

She added that postcard campaigns can also be effective.

Norma Belt of ACLU suggested that, "Students assess the most effective way of getting the most signatures in a community. Do most petitioning off-campus."

She recommended a door-to-door campaign in smaller communities.

Garth Miano, a student at Queens College, announced a city-wide demonstration which is to be held in New York City on November 10. He urged all present to attend, and suggested that rallies and demonstrations be held throughout New England on a more local level.

At 8 p.m. an exhausted conference voted to hold a follow-up conference at UMass on Saturday, December 1. Progress reports will be given at this time, and plans for the moratorium will be discussed.

## Declaration Of Impeachment Against Richard Nixon

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men and women are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among people, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for tight and transient causes; and accordingly all experience has shown that mankind is more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such a government, and to provide new guards for their future security.

The history of this President of the United States, Richard Milhouse Nixon is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of absolute tyranny over these States.

To prove this let the facts be submitted to a candid world. \*He has conspired with others to manipulate the 1972 Presidential Elections by committing acts of espionage and sabotage against the campaigns of the opposition candidates. \*He has systematically obstructed the administration of justice by attempting to bridge the Federal Judge in the Pentagon Papers trial, and by attempting to cover up Watergate revelations and related espionage, and sabotage. \*He has violated Article 1, Section 1, Clause 1 of the Constitution (which delegates "all" legislative powers to the Congress) by expounding over \$40 billion in funds allocated by the Congress of the United States. \*He has violated Article 1, Section 8, Clause 2 of the Constitution (which empowers Congress to declare war) by conducting military operations in Southeast Asia without Congressional authorization. \*He has violated Article II, Section 2, Clause 2 of the Constitution (which provides that all treaties negotiated by the President must be concurred by the Senate) by substituting Executive agreements for treaties. \*He has violated the First Article of the Bill of Rights (which guarantees the right of freedom of speech, religion and press) by authorizing surveillance activity on private citizens suspected of disagreeing with official Administration policy, and by mounting a campaign of systematic harassment and intimidation against the free press. \*He has violated the Fourth Article of the Bill of Rights (guaranteeing citizens protection against unreasonable search and seizure) by engaging in widespread wiretapping without obtaining warrants of authorization from the courts, by burglarizing the homes and offices of American citizens, and by supporting no-knock legislation. \*He has violated the fundamental principle in a free and democratic society of the people's right to know by cloaking his administration in official secrecy through arbitrary use of "classification procedures" and by claiming "executive privilege" in order to withhold vital information from Congress. \*He has violated his sacred responsibility to serve the interests of all the American People by conspiring with dozens of American Corporations and wealthy individuals to secure over \$10 million in secret campaign funds in return for special favors and privileged treatment. In these particulars and in his arrogant usurpation of power he has violated his oath of office by failing to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States.

In every stage of these oppressions we have petitioned for redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A President whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a tyrant, is unfit to be the President of a free people. Therefore, We the People of the United States call for the impeachment of the President of the United States and the resignation of the office of his administration for criminal activities and unconstitutional seizure of power. We call on Congress to pass new laws to dismantle the concentrated form of presidential rule that has become a threat to constitutional government.

(Thanks to The Daily Rag)

## NSA President Charges Nixon With Mental Unstability

(CPS) - Responding to a "flood of phone calls" from hundreds of campuses, National Student Association President Larry Friedman called for the resignation of President Richard M. Nixon on the grounds of "moral bankruptcy and mental instability."

Friedman noted that while some inquiries dealt with the practical matters a "surprising majority" asked about the rationality of the nation's chief executive.

According to the student leader, there is ample, indeed overwhelming, moral and legal basis for a resignation. "It is a bitter irony that this administration was elected on a platform calling for respect for law and its first chief law enforcement officer, John Mitchell, is now under multiple felony indictment. Mitchell's three successors have also been forced to resign: Mr. Kleindienst for what he did, and Mr. Richardson and Mr. Ruckelshaus for what they would not do," Friedman said.

Citing the events of last weekend as "overwhelming evidence not only of defiance of the law, but of mental instability as well," Friedman said, "There has been little doubt until now about the skill and intelligence of Nixon the politician. But the desperation of the acts of last weekend and the predictable outrage of the American people leads one to question the decision-making ability of this once-rational man."

He added, "The most powerful nation in the world dare not continue to trust its leadership to a chief executive who acts in such a peculiar, if not psychologically questionable, manner." Friedman speculated that the inexorable course of the Watergate investigation coupled with the strain of the Middle East war, the energy crisis, inflation and other national problems, had unbalanced the President.

BUT DICK ... YOU PROMISED!



## TANGLED WEBS

In the face of irrational action on the part of President Richard Nixon in the firing of Archibald Cox, and his ever-decreasing popularity among members of his party and his administration (Richardson's and Ruckelshaus' resignations) I believe that, in order to untangle the webs woven by this master spider, Mr. Nixon should be promptly removed from the office of President of the United States. An emergency election could be held to elect a new President to finish Mr. Nixon's term.

The act of giving up the Watergate tapes was obviously Nixon's trump card, held until he needed it most, and an act used to take the heat off his irrational firing of Mr. Cox and to suppress impeachment proceedings.

Many people misunderstand the giving up of the tapes as a noble act,

when it should have come months ago and would be EXPECTED by a true servant of the people. Unfortunately, through making such a big deal over the tapes, when the time came to finally give up the tapes people believed it was such a fine act of patriotism and honor. In fact, it was a selfish move, aimed at keeping him in office as long as possible.

Nixon has become known as a man with many tricks and deceptive actions. What other tricks has he stored up for the future? How else does he plan to deceive the nation into believing he is the right man for the job? You can be sure that Mr. Nixon acts in the best interest of Mr. Nixon and when those interests happened to be also the interests of the nation, the coincidence is useful in promoting his own popularity.





# REVIEWS

## RECORD REVIEW GRATEFUL DEAD'S

### "WAKE OF THE FLOOD"

by Steve Aalto

Once again, the music world is asked to revise its opinion of Grateful Dead. If you're a believer that Grateful Dead's music is of no aesthetic value or appeal, this album blows holes the size of the center of a 45 rpm record in your theory. This is the best record I have come across in many moons.

This album blends Jerry Garcia's brilliant lingering steel guitar and raspy vocals with the talent and unity of the group as a whole. Ace Wehr's clear tenor voice and generally good harmonizing combine for some very interesting compositions.

Songs are composed by Jerry Garcia mainly, but Weir does compose some, with the help of Bob Hunter, the writer for New Riders. New member Keith Godchaux has provided some good piano playing and also adds his own composition, which is a good change of pace from the average Dead song. His "Let me Sing Your Blues Away" is a very good cut, and his vocals are unique.

There are two big surprises on this record. First of all, there are no eternally long instrumentals. Not even Dead Freaks miss these. Some of their past records have had cuts like "Good Morning Little School Girl" and "Morning Dew" that are so long you can put them on your turntable when you go on vacation to make it look like someone is home. And it will still be playing when you get back.

The second surprise is that in place of the boring instrumentals is a very good brass section. Most noticeable on side two, the brass is reminiscent of Stevie Winwood's Traffic. There is a very fine sax solo also.

In many ways this album is comparable to the Beatles' "Abbey Road." Side one of both albums are comprised of relatively short and "single-ish" material. The reason you won't hear it on AM radio is that Dead does not release singles. This side is light and easy to listen to.

Side two is immediately very similar to side two of "Abbey Road." "Here Comes Sunshine" is unmistakable in its similarity to the Beatles' "Sinking." The parallels do not end there. Both Dead's and Beatles' side two are very smooth, relaxing music, very unified towards the goal of setting one at ease. Much of the material leads into other songs with out the "dead air" usually obvious between cuts. It is more like one complete composition, often changing tempo and melodic structure, without upsetting the unity of the piece.

In all, this album is a very enjoyable piece of music, and very worthwhile. Before you decide Grateful Dead does not produce your kind of music, you must listen to "Wake of the Flood." I think you'll change your mind.

## A REVIEW OF PAPER MOON

by Renee Bouchard

Peter Bogdanovich's latest film, PAPER MOON, stars Ryan O'Neil and his ten-year-old daughter, Tatum, who steals the entire show away from her less qualified father.

The title, PAPER MOON, reflects the idea of illusion and unreality which applies to the entire film. Moze (Ryan O'Neil) and Addie (Tatum) take us halfway across bootleg America as orphan and con-man with their humorous misadventures and learned fortunes. We view the film with the willing suspension of disbelief and willingly escape into their world of illusion. In Bogdanovich's last film, LAST PICTURE SHOW, we were subjected to the stark reality of life which produced depression and sometimes pure disgust in the viewer. PAPER MOON is a refreshing "love story" between man and child which is enjoyable and fulfilling.

Tatum has made her film debut here in which she promises to be an accomplished young actress. Addie is a tough-minded, independent nine-year-old brat who Tatum makes us fall in love with from beginning to end. Our sympathy is aroused when we first encounter her as the abandoned orphan. For the first five minutes she has no lines and we can only pity her by thinking of the thoughts going through her mind. In the mean time Moze has done enough to make us angry at his treatment of the little girl, so that when she finally does speak in her loud, unfeminine tone, we sit and cheer for her spunk and self-awareness. It is actually refreshing to see an Addie on the film in contrast to the wholesome, all-American Shirley Temples.

Ryan O'Neil has trouble convincing us at first that he is an actual con-man of the 1930's. We are given the impression that he is reading his cue cards as he did through out LOVE STORY. Fortunately, this disaster is not repeated. As soon as orphan and con-man hit the road he seems to have grasped hold of the character of Moze and plays it out convincingly enough to the end.

I recommend this film to anyone who enjoys a refreshing, new type of film in which you can get involved in the world of the uncanny. I feel as though it is one of the better films produced for a long time and can honestly say that I enjoyed it to the utmost.

## TURDS A Dissertation

Michael Hutchinson

Turds - not to be mistaken for thirds, for there is no numerical value to the consistency of turds. It is only a word, plural, that is should you not have one regularly, hence irregularity.

Another common confusability is the conjecture that "turd", is equal to "3". Canadian French being the most common to make this slight, viz, "I live at turdy-tree Clarendon Street." But that is nothing more than a discrepancy in dialect.

## A TRIP IN ITSELF

By Ivy Chesmejeff

If ordinary everyday life is too hard to cut, escape to A SEPARATE REALITY by anthropologist Carlos Castaneda. Carlos followed a regimen of mind-expanding experiences initiated by Don Juan a Yaqui Indian. Don Juan was a "brujo", who introduced a new side of reality with the aid of several magic plants, eg., Jimson weed, peyote, and mushrooms.

This book introduces us to a part of our reality which we are not aware of. Don Juan prescribed spending time in states of consciousness, other than the ordinary waking state. Altered states of consciousness, according to Don Juan, were doors to ways of using the mind that are better than the most of us follow most of the time. Carlos learned this way of existence, through sessions with Don Juan.

Not only is the way prescribed by Juan interesting, the manner in which the book is structured also adds up to interesting reading.

Carlos, by means of a reportage, communicated the drama and directness of the field situation. Each session described was ended on an abrupt note. This literary device contributed to a dramatic tone. Carlos, as the perceiver, recorded what he perceived, and endeavored to suspend his own judgement. Thus, Carlos' narrative skills were exposed. The book is believable; a logical chain of events took place. Carlos exposed drugs as tools. He exposed a reality other than the reality that predominates in most of the institutions of our society. Because we are conditioned by it, we do not suspect the existence of another way of interpreting our perception of the world around us. Carlos showed us how to uncondition society.



## CREATIVE WRITING STILL LIVES!

Many of us complain of the lack of a good comprehensive publication that gives a varied selection of topics, so far, we are still deficient in this area but I do have one point of reference for (and I don't mean to be chauvinistic but this shall primarily be for the male population of the school or for you kinkier members of the opposite sex) some genuine and interesting material the source is any one of the men's slave stories located strategically around the premises.

Here you can read profound philosophies, "I think I love my woman, I think I love her, therefore . . ." or political preferences, "If you voted for (our friend and yours) don't shift here your ass in Washington", campus unrests, an arrow pointing to the role of paper saying, "F.S.C. diplomas take one" and replies "If you think that what are you doing here?", confrontations, "Transferring."

The cultural aspects should not be overlooked. Perhaps some of the best pornographical etchings can be seen in some of the men's rooms. (I will not tell you where due to the fact that publicity may lead to serious over-crowding, so you will just have to explore the untapped world of graffiti literature adorning those hallowed halls.

Be a better neighbor  
Love thy neighborhood.

Escape to fun and games  
today and pay for it tomorrow.

When your mind goes blank,  
turn off the sound.

Know when to seize an opportunity.  
Ditto to let go of an advantage.

Save some money if you can.  
Some day it might be valuable again.

All things come to those  
who refuse to look both ways  
before crossing the street.

It is foolish to fall into  
the same hole twice.

Profanity to a conversation  
is like dirty fingernails to a hand.

When two egotists meet, it  
is a matter of an I for an I.

One's work is a portrait  
of himself.

Another problem of modern  
living is the scarcity of good  
friends.

Liberty is not license.  
Liberty is the intelligent  
use of thoughts, words, and  
actions.

Pay your debts to mankind.  
Be kind to a stranger.

The work that man does  
lives after him.

Thought: People never have  
more than one fatal disease.

Want to get some place?  
Make good where you are.

You, too, can better your  
lot.  
Just do a lot better.

If you would have love,  
you must give yours away.

Help another over the rough  
spots and you, too, will pass  
over them.

By Christopher Adams

You Who You Are  
Me Who I Am  
Seem to share more than  
Initial Initials  
Because the gentleness you generate often provided  
warmth  
Cold heart parts so badly needed  
And somehow my hands never seemed so coarse or  
bag-carrying worn when they met  
yours  
Like old friends  
Like old friends and never-touched lovers  
Speak when they meet each other  
On an October day  
Manes pushed back as lady winters song begins her prelude  
A brown remnant of summery green falls, you catch it  
and it becomes resurrected  
Place your satin-ed hands in mine of worn leather  
and watch them become soft again  
Yes watch them become soft again

## HAWAII HITS FSC

LINDA PIRIE

In celebration of Halloween and in order to stave off boredom, the cafeteria held a Hawaiian luau and a costume contest on the evening of October 31st. The dining hall was decorated appropriately and Hawaiian music was played. The students were served food in a Hawaiian style.

Then at 6 p.m. a costume contest was held at the cafeteria. The judges from Authority Dorm were Louise Bombardiere, Nancy Bumgarner and Carol Smith. From High Rise Dorm they were Ellen O'Neil, Nan McManamon and Peg Domasky. The prize for the first place went to Debbie Hackett for her costume as a worm; Nancy Bartley, costumed as a vampire, won second place. Each received a basket of fruit for a prize. Third prize, which was \$10.00 was won by Valery Kapolchok for her costume as a clown. Mark Herman, Peter Doyle and Mike Hudson won honorable mentions, which was \$5.00 prizes each.

## THE PLAYGROUND

A metallic maze,  
silver slides, see-saws, swings,  
fortified by a frosty foil fence,  
is the arena.

Smiling spectators amass,  
admiring the adventurous and adroit,  
or, more bluntly, the brutal,  
oppress the others.

Tyrants take-over,  
pilfering the places of the polite,  
who linger in line, waiting . . . and waiting . . .  
for the ride they'll never receive,

Ripening resentment results,  
detaining manners discarded,  
the rage of revenge  
and the struggle for supremacy has begun.

Jeri Cande

## BEATLES IN SECRET MEETING

(CPS/ZNS) - The four members of the Beatles are getting together in a secret meeting soon to finalize the break-up of their business, the New York Times reports.

John, Paul, Ringo and George are said to be preparing to end all business relations within the next few months.

The Times adds, however, that if the meeting ends on a friendly basis, then the ex-Beatles might work together individually by contributing material to each other's albums.

Serlimshaw, Fitchburg State College literary magazine, is now soliciting contributions in poetry, prose, art and photography. Please leave work with Eric Barryman, English Department.



# TEMPERATURES RISING

The previous articles in this series dealt with the views of two residents of the Seabrook-Hampton, N.H. area, concerning the construction of a nuclear power plant in their area; and the possible biological dangers associated with the thermal pollution aspect of nuclear fission power plants. This last article offers possible safeguards and alternatives to nuclear fission as a source of energy.

The following safeguards are alternatives to dumping heated waste water from nuclear power plants back into the environment. They are processes which involve the cooling of the heated water to a temperature which is compatible with that of the outside environment. Even though some of the problems caused by nuclear power can be alleviated by the establishment of these safeguards; by no means do they solve all the problems which must be dealt with, such as contamination, leakage, and inefficiency. In some instances, these safeguards may lessen the burden in one problem area, only to create a bigger problem in another.

## SAFEGUARDS

One process which enables heated waste water to become compatible with the cooler waters of the outside environment involves cooling towers. There are two types of cooling towers, but both types can be described as being hollow structures, 300 to 500 feet in height, with outwardly sloping sides, and an open top.

In the most commonly used tower - the evaporative or wet cooling tower - the heated water from the power plant, enters into the mid-section of the tower, where the water drops through a series of slats and then cools. The water is then collected at the bottom of the tower and is recirculated to the plant's condenser.

A more efficient, and more expensive (hence less used) type of cooling tower is the non-evaporative, closed-circulating dry tower. In this type of tower, the heated water flows through air-cooled radiators, which are cooled by either natural draft or by mechanical fans powered by the plant.

In addition to the two types of cooling towers, there is another safeguarding device known as an artificial cooling lake. This set-up provides a steady flow of incoming water from a naturally enclosed, or man-made lake or reservoir, thereby safeguarding against the thermal pollution of surrounding aquatic ecosystems. After the water is used for cooling, it is dumped back into this enclosed water system, where its heat is given up through radiational and convectional cooling.

## PROBLEMS

One might be willing to allow the construction of more nuclear power plants after he has been informed of these existing safeguards. However, when one realizes how much these safeguards cost - with the consumer paying the bill - it is almost certain that he will quickly change his mind. Not only are these safeguards costly - anywhere from \$7,000,000 to \$27,000,000 per million kw. - but they are also, in some ways, inefficient.

In the case of the evaporative or wet cooling tower, the daily percentage of evaporation loss adds up quickly, thereby causing the need for additional fresh water intake in order to compensate for the loss. This type of tower can also cause abnormalities in weather, such as high rainfall, pea-soup fogs, and even heavy sleet when the weather turns cold - conditions which people who make their living at sea can do without. Those who may be skeptical of the possibility that cooling towers might disrupt normal weather conditions are offered the following case in point: It has been estimated by scientists in Vermont, that during the month of April, 1973, rainfall in Vernon, Vt., was 76% higher than normal, due to the evaporation of 7000 gallons of water per minute from the towers located there.

This evaporative tower can also cause destruction of vegetation over a distance of many miles when salt water is used for cooling instead of fresh water. Recently the Florida Power and Light Company of Biscayne was prevented from building any cooling towers or cooling lakes because of the effect of the salt water spray on trees, plants and animal life in the area.

With respect to the non-evaporative, closed-circulating tower - one might be forced to accept this safeguard in that, from an environmental standpoint, it can be considered the lesser of two evils. This type of tower offers the complete elimination of thermal pollution, and the reduction in water loss due to evaporation. There would also be the advantage of being able to build nuclear power plants in areas where water supplies are limited. The problem with this type of tower is that it is expensive, and it does not eliminate evaporation.

The last possible safeguard - the artificial cooling lake - also has a set back in that it likewise contributes to the problems of heavy rain, fog, and heavy sleet.

## ALTERNATIVES

Nuclear power is not as big a failure as it may sound. It can conserve our irreplaceable fossil fuels, reduce certain types of atmospheric pollution, and provide a virtually inexhaustible supply of cheap energy, but it can not do so in the form that the power supply companies are now offering to the public. In its present form, with all its inefficiencies, nuclear power will only create more problems than it will solve. We should therefore not be as quick to accept the supplier's proposals as they are to offer them. More research is definitely needed into other methods and processes of harnessing power before more nuclear power plants are built. The money saved by not building more plants could go into this research fund, and would help bring about an end product that much sooner. Because nuclear fission is not our last resort for a future power source, we should step up the harnessing of other power sources, such as tidal energy, wind energy, solar energy, geothermal en-

ergy and shale oil. According to the power companies, the methods of processing the sources of energy mentioned, are not yet ready for efficient use, and are therefore still in their experimental stages. If this reasoning is true, then one may wonder why nuclear power plants are popping up, when they too are still in their experimental stages.

It would seem to be of the utmost necessity, for consumers and power companies alike, to insure the development of a power source/sources which will be mutually agreeable with each other and their environment. However, if it does become necessary to build more nuclear power plants (in their present form), all factors should be considered before a site is chosen, such as: locale, water distribution (including tides and currents), rate of heat dissipation, surface and bottom profiles of temperature and oxygen levels, water quality and population, along with possible economic and ecological effects.

## RESOLUTIONS

It would not be right to place the entire blame upon the backs of the power companies after all, it is partially the fault of the consumer. It would seem that the consumer expects the power companies to supply him with more and more power to operate such "needed appliances" as electric shoe shiners, electric toothbrushes, and electric air conditioners, without forcing the power companies to build more power plants.

It would therefore seem appropriate for the consumer to consider a question which is in dire need of an answer, "What should be the quality of life?" To answer this question, man will find that he will be making a lot of compromises with his environment. Man will also find that to answer the question concerning "quality" he will have to establish an ecological or an environmental ethic. This ethic, whatever it may turn out to be, may provide the ecological guidelines which man can use to help keep his environment the way it was meant to be. We just may find out that it was for the lack of this ethic, that man has allowed his technological advances to overshadow his ecological values.

# INTERVIEWS FROM OUTER SPACE

By Ace Speedshot

And now, for the interview EVERYBODY has been waiting for. Ace Speedshot, in an exclusive interview for the CYCLE, has uncovered some NEW and EXCITING concepts of existence in general, and specifically, He is the first earth-man to interview a being from another planet.

Ace - I appreciate your consenting to do this interview, sir. I have some questions that the people on this planet have been asking for centuries, and I'm sure you can help clear some of them up.

Spaceman - Fire away, but you must realize that I have an interview on another planet in only one hour.

Ace - Of course. First of all, what is your name and where do you come from?

Spaceman - I come from the planet UHmo on the other side of everything, and my name is Oscar... Why are you laughing? My name is not a joke, especially where I come from.

Ace - I understand. Tell me, what brings you to our humble planet, Oscel. May I call you Oscel?

Os - Sure. Well first of all, we have been watching you for a very long time now. I came down because I've heard your country (U.S.A.) needs a new leader. I'd like to apply for the job.

Ace - Ah, well, I'm sorry, but you must have been an inhabitant of this planet all your life in order to fill that position.

Os - Ah, I was only kidding. Just a little extra-terrestrial humor thrown in there, ha, ha. Anyway, I've heard of your many strange and unexplained prejudices here on earth. An inhabitant all your life! Preposterous! Did you know that on my side of the universe no one stays on the same planet all their life?

Ace - Well, no, I didn't. Tell me, what is your REAL REASON FOR BEING HERE?

Os - Actually, I'm just checking up on your planet's progress. You're doing quite well.

Ace - We are? I mean, of course we are.

Os - Yes. You will have progressed yourself out of existence 300 years before we expected you would. You see, we have our eyes on this planet, earth, as a possible relocation for our civilization. Being much more civilized than you, we do not fight, but we are merely anticipating your downfall so we may make proper use of this planet. It is a potentially beautiful place to live. I'm not quite sure you realize that.

Ace - I'm not too sure either.

Os - Well, we have revised our Expectation of Relocation on earth date forward 300 years because we believe that by the year 1997 you will have consumed yourself out of power, oxygen, oil, wood, plastic, toilet bowls, and, in short, everything except salt and rice. Perhaps I will live to see my family inhabit this planet after all. You won't, of course. Heh, heh.

Ace - For some reason your humor isn't as funny this time around. Well, it has been SOMETHING talking to you.

Os - Yes, I must be going, too. Keep up the good work!

(As I was leaving, this strange creature cheered as a blue cloud of smoke was emitted from the tailpipe of my car. Hummm... It gives you something to think about. Guess I'll do a little walking from now on. And THAT'S THAT. Ace Speedshot returning you to your senses!)

# The Governor's Answer Column

Question: Obviously, you feel Route 52 is necessary, but is it really? Do you know how many people are being thrown out of their homes? I don't see how you can condone such an act. Margaret McGrath, Fitchburg State.

Answer: Worcester County has waited a long time for its north-south highway, Route 52. This highway will be central New England's major north-south transportation link, providing the region with a fast, safe, and efficient route for urban, regional, and state development.

This is not a project which the state has forced upon the area. The Worcester County delegation to the General Court has worked in actively supporting Route 52. The Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission and the Montachusett Regional Planning Commission played a vital role in the review of alternative routes for the highway as well as having a no-build option. In February, the Worcester City Council passed a resolution urging the construction of Route 52 without delay. In fact, local officials and citizens all along the highway's path have given the project enthusiastic and nearly unanimous support.

The present route of the highway will force the relocation of 41 fewer homes than the route originally favored by the Department of Public Works, and fewer farms as well.

Secretary of Environmental Affairs Foster created a task force to review the environmental impact of the proposed Route 52. The recommendations of this task force envision a linear park from Worcester to Leominster. Every effort will be made to develop open spaces along the route. This would reinforce the region's overall rural character.

There will of course be constant communication and cooperation between the state's environmental and transportation agencies, as well as between state, regional, and local agencies.

I appreciate your concern in this matter. But I feel that Route 52, when completed, should benefit both the economy and the environment of Worcester County.

Question: What are your views on capital punishment and do you intend to support the bill to re-establish it in this state? Mary A. McCarthy, Fitchburg State.

Answer: I have not seen any evidence that shows that the death penalty works as an effective deterrent against violent crimes. In fact, when a criminal has committed a crime which he knows will bring him the death penalty, or, at the very least, life imprisonment, he may very well be more prone to follow through on violent crimes against individuals as well as entertain a more vigorous defense of his own personal safety if he knows the alternative (if he is captured) is death.

I understand that the legislature is presently considering a bill which would re-establish the death penalty in Massachusetts. I will have a more definitive statement to make when the bill reaches my desk in final form.

Question: The roads in Massachusetts are in unbelievable condition. Possibly the worst in the country. Is anything being done about this? Paul Cross, Fitchburg State.

Answer: We in the Commonwealth have 28,000 miles of roads. 2800 of these are state roads which are directly controlled by the Department of Public Works. The state annually spends approximately \$25 million on these roads for construction, maintenance and repairs. The remainder of the roads in the state are under the jurisdiction of the city, town or country in which they are located. It is up to the citizens of a municipality to report dissatisfaction with their roads. Each city, town and county receives annual appropriations from the state budget to maintain their roads. The state also has programs through which the Commonwealth will pay 50% of city and town and 25% of county road repair projects.

Question: Will the taxes of '74 be any higher than last year? Peter Browning, Fitchburg State.

Answer: I have and continue to be committed to a no tax policy for 1974. In the past six to eight years the budget has increased at a rate of 15 to 20% each year. This year I submitted a budget which called for only a 2% increase. This budget submission was tied in with my plan for the Reorganization of state government, a more efficient management of the state budget and did not require an increase of the state budget and did not require an increase in taxes in 1974. And it was felt that no tax increases would be required for the foreseeable future.

However, the Legislature did not act on the Reorganization proposals that I submitted this year to modernize state government and eliminate 150 boards and 2,000 unneeded jobs. I stated at the time that the Reorganization plans were not chiseled in stone, and that I would welcome legislative input and amendments. The Legislature has not even made these amendments.

Instead, the Legislature has passed its own 1974 budget. The state, by law, is required to pay its bills. And the Legislature deleted this item from the budget that it proposed. It excluded payments for vendors, old age assistance, invalids, pharmacists, ambulance services, the mentally ill and others requiring special services. Consequently, I have been required to submit supplementary and deficiency budgets this year. I did this with great reluctance because the Reorganization budget would not have called for the submission of any additional budgets for expenditures during the current year.

If the Legislature had acted in a more responsible manner regarding Reorganization, the no tax strategy would have been implemented.





FSC Band in rehearsal for their upcoming Exchange Concert with Salem State College to be held at Weston Auditorium on Monday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

# FSC BAND



1973-74 FSC Band officers include: Front row, Sirku Eskelinen, Treasurer; Gall O'Malley, Librarian; Linda Fee, Secretary and Sue Dunn, Librarian. Back row: Bill Ashton, Manager; Dean Valliere, President; Tim Howard, Manager. Missing at time photograph was taken is Wayne Kuczinski, Vice-President.



FSC Band Director, Frank Patterson goes over a musical passage with the flute section.



General gap is bridged in the French Horn section. Playing are FSC student Joe Thomas; Leominster music supervisor, Richard Sutcliffe and Fitchburg High School Senior, Cindy Kankorania.

*John Edwards*

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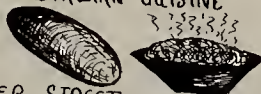
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